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BEFORE THE

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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**Federal Communications Commission**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(b),  
Table of Allotments,  
FM Broadcast Stations.

(Newell, South Dakota)

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MM Docket No. 99-96  
RM-9534

Directed to: Chief, Allocations Branch

**COMMENTS ON PROPOSED RULE MAKING AND ALTERNATE PROPOSAL**

These comments are filed in support of the Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 99-96, RM-9534, by Mountain West Broadcasting, the petitioner in this matter. The facts and comments submitted in the original petition are hereby re-submitted by reference.

The petitioner would also like to re-submit its intent that it will file an application for Construction Permit to operate a new station for Newell, South Dakota, during any window filing period or its intent to participate in auction process the Commission may conduct for this channel. Mountain West Broadcasting would also expeditiously construct the station should his application be granted.

The petitioner has become aware of another stations desire to upgrade its facilities on an adjacent channel to channel 288. Therefore, the petitioner would prefer the commission allot channel 279C2 to Newell, South Dakota, in place of channel 288C2 as originally proposed. Channel 279C2 can be allotted to Newell with a site restriction of 1.8 kilometers north. Figure 1 of these

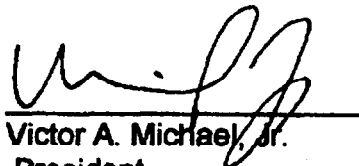
comments show a channel spacing study with a site located 1.8 kilometers north of Newell, South Dakota. The coordinates for this site is 44 - 43 - 58, 103 - 25 - 18.

The petitioner, Mountain West Broadcasting, hereby proposes the Commission make the following changes to the table of allotments:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Newell, South Dakota	—	279C2

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the proposed change to the FM Table of Allotments be adopted, and the Commission allot Channel 279C2 at Newell, South Dakota.

Respectfully submitted,



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MAPFM search of channel 278C2 (103.5 MHz), at N. 44 43 58, W. 103 25 18.

Searching Channel 278C2 (103.5 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
K276CQ	Rapid City	SD	276	D	L	75.0	0.0	169.5°	75.0
K276IJ	Spearfish	SD	276	D	L	42.3	0.0	230.9°	42.3
ALC	Sundance	WY	276	C1	U	86.3	79.0	250.7°	7.3
KYDT	Sundance	WY	276	C1	L	86.3	79.0	250.7°	7.3
KYDT	Sundance	WY	276	C1	L	86.3	79.0	250.7°	7.3
ALC	Casper	WY	279	C	U	320.8	188.0	226.4°	132.8
KQLT	Casper	WY	279	C	L	320.8	188.0	226.5°	132.8
K280AJ	Hill City	SD	280	D	L	90.2	0.0	187.4°	90.2
K280AS	Sundance	WY	280	D	L	84.9	0.0	243.2°	84.9
K280CF	Newcastle	WY	280	D	L	117.0	0.0	212.0°	117.0
ALC	Rapid City	SD	281	C1	U	79.1	79.0	170.6°	0.0
KIQK	Rapid City	SD	281	C1	L	80.0	79.0	170.7°	1.0

FIGURE 1  
CHANNEL SPACING STUDY  
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING  
NEWELL, SOUTH DAKOTA